PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- ◆ Food stamps
- ◆ Medicaid Program
- ♦ Health care services
- ◆ Supplemental Security Payments

RECREATION/LEISURE

- ♦ Camping, hunting, fishing
- ◆ Parks and recreation
- ♦ Senior Olympics

RETIREMENT BENEFITS **PROGRAMS**

- ◆ Retired teachers
- ◆ State employees

VETERANS' PROGRAMS

♦ Homes, healthcare, benefits

VOLUNTERISM

- ♦ American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)
- ♦ Intergenerational programs
- ♦ Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
- ♦ Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

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A special service providing speakers for public/private sector meetings and events

on topics of interest to an aging society

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AGING (General)

- ◆ Overview of services available for older adults
- ◆ Demographic profile of the elderly
- ♦ Adult day service, a service that can help meet the needs of older people and their caregivers
- ◆ Gatekeeper and Youth Gatekeeper Programs (telephone referral assistance for the frail elderly involving customer contact employees and concerned citizens)
- ◆ Grandparents raising grandchildren
- ♦ Older women's issues / older men's issues
- ◆ Retirement
- ♦ Family caregiving issues

DISASTER PLANNING

♦ Weather / disaster preparedness

EDUCATION

- Adult education
- Elderhostel, an academic program combining learning with travel
- Rules of the Road review courses/defensive driving

EMPLOYMENT

◆ Older workers -- Senior Community Service Employment Program

HFAITH

- Alcohol and substance abuse prevention
- ♦ Hospice care
- Mental health programs and services
- ♦ Nutrition
- ◆ Physical fitness for older adults
- Prescription and generic drugs
- Special services and devices for the disabled
- Understanding the aging process
- ♦ Prevention / disease topics



HOUSING

♦ Housing options

INCOME BENEFITS / ASSISTANCE

- ◆ Circuit Breaker/Pharmaceutical Assistance, property taxes, deferred taxes, exemptions
- ◆ Low Income Home Energy Assistance Plan (LIHEAP), home weatherization, energy assistance
- ◆ Social Security

INSURANCE

◆ Consumer issues

- ◆ Long Term Care Insurance
- ◆ Medicare
- ◆ Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP)

LEGAL ISSUES / CRIMES / ABUSE

- ♦ Advance Directives:
 - Living Wills
 - Powers of Attorney
- Elder abuse, neglect and financial exploitation; older battered women
- ♦ Legal programs/victim assistance
- ◆ Property and personal protection
- Protection from consumer and health care fraud

LONG TERM CARE

- ♦ Nursing Homes
 - Ombudsman Program
 - Regulations, inspections, general information
- Overview of long term care options, including the Illinois Department on Aging's Community Care and Choices for Care Programs

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HOW TO USE THE SPEAKERS BUREAU:

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